

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 3/31/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 7 and 12 (renumbered as 1-2).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. David I. Klein on Friday, June 23, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims

Claim 1 (cancelled).

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claim 7 (now renumbered as claim 1) discloses a transmitter that:

includes **two** multiplexers and

provides a **push-pull output**.

The output of the first multiplexer is **one of a data signal and a carrier signal**. The output of the second multiplexer is **one of another data signal and the inverse of the carrier signal**.

The prior art of record shows a transmitter with **one** multiplexer that outputs **one of a data signal and a carrier signal** (Adachi, drawing 1). The prior art of record also shows that a **push-pull output** could involve output signals with opposite phases (IEEE Standard Dictionary of Electrical and Electronics Terms, p. 708; Flegel, Fig. 2), which could correspond to an **inverse signal**. Combined together, the teachings of the prior art could reasonably make obvious a transmitter that:

includes **one** multiplexer that outputs **one of a data signal and a carrier signal** and

provides a **push-pull output** through the **inversion of the carrier signal**.

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However, this combination would still lack the ***second multiplexer*** and its ***associated limitations*** (i.e., ***a second of said multiplexers having a second output, a third input for receiving a second data signal, a fourth input coupled to said output of said frequency divider through an inverter for receiving an inverse of said carrier signal, and a second control input for receiving a second select control signal, said second multiplexer outputting one of said second data signal and said inverse carrier signal to said second output responsive to said second select control signal***). Furthermore, the prior art of record does not provide teachings that would reasonably make obvious the second multiplexer and its associated limitations. Accordingly, Applicant's claim 7 (now renumbered as claim 1) and its dependent claim 12 (now renumbered as claim 2) are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David S. Kim whose telephone number is 571-272-3033. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. 9 AM to 5 PM (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kenneth N. Vanderpuye can be reached on 571-272-3078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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